

South Florida Water Management District

Public Meeting to Discuss Regulatory Matters

March 17, 2010
10:00 a.m.
South Florida Water Management District - B-1 Storch Room
3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Executive Director, Carol Wehle, at 10:06 a.m.

Ms. Wehle introduced Deena Reppen, Deputy Executive Director, Regulatory and Public Affairs, Dean Powell, Deputy Director, Water Supply Management Department, Terrie Bates, Assistant Deputy Director, Regulatory and Public Affairs and Bob Brown, Director, Environmental Resource Regulation Department. Ms. Whele reminded everyone that no decisions will made at this meeting however all comments will be taken into consideration.

Ms. Wehle then turned the meeting over to Bob Brown, who reviewed some procedural items. Mr. Brown initiated contact with Service Center staff and introduced: Jane Bergstrom, Director and Don Loving, Regulatory Division Director, Martin St. Lucie Service Center; Ed Yaun, Regulatory Division Director, Orlando Service Center; Ricardo Valera, Regulatory Division Director, Phil Flood, Director, Lower West Coast Service Center. There were no members of the public present at any of the Service Centers.

2. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Pending Final Action

There were no public comments on this item.

3. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Not Complete

Public Comment

090406-12 Acreage Access Road (Persimmon Blvd to 60th St. N)

Sharon Waite – requested information regarding the status of the permit and requested to be provided with hardcopy information.

Anita Bain, Division Director, Environmental Resource Permitting Division noted that the District has sent a letter to the County but no response has been received. Ms. Bain would meet with Ms. Waite at the end of the meeting to provide her with hard copies.

Alexandria Larson – expressed concern over wetland impacts.

Application 060717-32 Jog Road (Roebuck Road to 45th Street)

Alexandria Larson – expressed concern over wetland impacts. She requested that the District pay special attention to mitigation and eradication of exotics.

Ms. Wehle noted that the District has compliance staff that can document any wetland impacts.

4. Public Comment on other Pending Permit Applications

Alexandria Larson requested to receive copies of reports for applications deemed complete and applications received.

Maria Clemente confirmed that the reports for applications deemed complete and applications received are sent weekly and Ms. Larson is on the mailing distribution list.

5. Public Comment on General Regulatory Issues

Public Comment

Rosa Durando - expressed concerns regarding Wellington and pollution to Wellington canals due to equestrian uses. She also expressed concerns over pumped discharge to E-1 canal which goes to WPB Canal and continues to pollute the Lake Worth Lagoon.

Alexandria Larson – expressed that the Indian Trail Improvement District needs more drainage. She expressed concern over the possibility of the purchase of another pit and the risk of saltwater intrusion and requested that the District look into this.

6. Adjourn

Mr. Brown noted that the next meeting will be held on April 21, 2010. The meeting agenda will include two specific items; Scripps Florida Phase II/Briger, Application 090427-7 and Indian Street Bridge, Application 091021-8.

Ms. Wehle adjourned the meeting at 10:59 a.m.